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In re application of:

Robert F. Bonner et al.

Application No.: 09/456,042

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For: DESIGNS FOR NON-CONTACT  
LASER CAPTURE  
MICRODISSECTION

Examiner: G. Gabel

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 12, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.